

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: DVD2.JPG

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1000186.000

Medium: Computer Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 11 March 2010

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Summary of reasons for decision:

The computer image file contains 16 explicitly sexual depictions of children, including adult men subjecting children to sexual activity. It therefore promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes and is deemed to be objectionable.

The images are evidence of sexual abuse. Their purpose is to titillate or arouse people with a sexual interest in children. Publications such as this encourage viewers to see children as sexually desirable and available for adult sexual gratification. The effect is to strengthen this sexual interest and encourage the sexual exploitation of vulnerable young children.

The publication's classification interferes with the freedom of expression as set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.